

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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LRB Number 09-4238/1	Introduction Number SB-517	
Description The Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children		
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) provides procedures for public child welfare and private interstate adoptive placements between states. The compact is a binding contract between member jurisdictions. The existing compact provisions and rules are administered by the Association of Administrators of the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.

This bill creates a new Interstate Compact that becomes effective when 35 states enact the compact. The new compact updates legal procedures to match current practice and creates an Interstate Commission for the Placement of Children. This bill has no immediate fiscal effect. However, once the new compact becomes ratified by 35 states, there will be a fiscal effect.

The creation of an Interstate Commission will impose costs on the Department of Children and Families. Once becoming effective, the commission will impose annual dues on the Department. Those dues are estimated to be \$14,000 annually. This fee will be applied toward the cost of implementing the new ICPC. Additionally, the Department estimates that it will need one additional FTE to oversee the day to day activities of the Interstate Commission and to assist with meeting the new timely processing and case tracking requirements. This position is estimated to cost \$86,000 annually.

This bill creates a GPR appropriation for the purpose of paying the annual fee. Upon the new compact becoming effective, this GPR appropriation will need to be funded in order for the Department to pay the fee to the Interstate Commission.

If Wisconsin does not enact the compact, and at least 35 other states do, then Wisconsin will need to create Memorandums of Understanding with each of the states that have ratified the compact in order to facilitate interstate placements with those states. This could increase administrative costs and may have a negative impact on Wisconsin's ability to make timely child welfare placements.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications